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**THE MINUTES OF THE HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE  
ON  
COMMERCE AND TRADE**

**Tuesday, April 21, 2015**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Room 519 House Office Building**

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The House Standing Committee on Commerce and Trade was called to order by **Representative Joseph Graves**, Chair.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Representatives Graves, Sheppard, Callton, Johnson, Rendon, Somerville, Hughes, Barrett, Garcia, Glenn, Leutheuser, Schor, Townsend, Byrd, Garrett, Geiss, Love and Moss.

**MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED:** Representative Jenkins.

**Representative Sheppard** moved to adopt the minutes from the **March 24, 2015**, meeting. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

**Chair Graves** laid **HB 4362** before the committee:

HB 4362 (Sheppard)	Worker's compensation; insurers; ownership of surplus by self-insurers; define.
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**TESTIMONY**

**Representative Sheppard**, sponsor of HB 4362, explained his bill to the committee members. Questions and discussion followed.

**Mark Long**, director, representing the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) Workmen's Compensation Agency, testified in support of the bill and introduced Mr. John Schrock.

**John Schrock**, Agency Administrator, representing the Michigan (LARA) Workman's Compensation Agency, gave an overview of the Workmen's Compensation Agency and explained ownership of surplus funds by self-insurers.

**Alan Fergin**, Chief Fund Administrator, representing the SETSEG Workmen's Compensation Fund, testified in support of the bill.

*The following individuals submitted a card and/or written testimony but did not wish to speak:*

Donna Zarb, representing the Michigan McDonalds Operations Association, supports the bill.  
Todd Culver, representing the MARO Workmen's Compensation Self-Insurance Fund, supports the bill.

Tim Hanna, representing the Michigan Council of Self-Insured Group Administrators (MCSIGA), supports the bill.

Larry Andrick, representing the Michigan Association of Ambulance Service Workers' Compensation Fund.

Mark Sledzinske, representing the Metal Working Industries of Michigan, Michigan Assisted Living, and the Lumber and Building Material Funds, supports the bill.

Michael Stoskopf, representing the Apartment Building Maintenance Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Fund, supports the bill.

Dee Macy, representing the CAM-Comp, supports the bill.

Barb Bennett, representing the Michigan Association of Timbermen Self-Insured Fund (MATSIF), supports the bill.

Patrick Harrington, representing the Michigan Retail Hardware Association, supports the bill.

Chris Fisher, representing the Associated Builders and Contractors of Michigan, supports the bill.

Justin Winslow, representing the Michigan Restaurants Association, supports the bill.

Dawn Campbell, representing the Home Builders Association of Michigan, supports the bill with possible technical amendment in the future.

Dave Worthams, representing Michigan Bankers Association, supports the bill.

Steve Currie, representing the Michigan Counties Workers' Compensation Fund, supports the bill.

**Representative Love** moved to excuse Representative Jenkins from the committee. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:01 a.m.

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**Representative Joseph Graves, Chair**  
**House Standing Committee on Commerce and Trade**

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Committee Clerk

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